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Subject: Proposed changes re: non-profits

Thank you for attention to my concerns.

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March 31, 2004
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Dear Ms. Mai T. Dinh, Acting Assistant General Counsel:

I am writing to express my disapproval of the proposed changes to the Federal Election Committee regulations as applies to non-profit organizations. As a contributor to non-profit organizations that work to improve conditions for workers, the environment, and equal rights, I am concerned that you are treating them as political committees. They may interact in the political arena but so do all voters. The purpose of such non-profits is to speak collectively for those of us who do not have the power, money, or influence individually.

Congress and the courts have rejected such regulations in the past. Please do not take such action. Such action is in violation of our rights to gather and to speak out with our voices collectively. And especially do not make such changes in an election year. It would seem that you would be taking such a course, only because many individuals are coming together to make their voices heard and that is what a healthy democracy needs!

Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Sincerely,

Kay Giles